

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No. : Not Yet Known
Filed : Herewith
For : COVALENT CHEMICAL INDUCERS OF PROTEIN
DIMERIZATION AND THEIR USES IN HIGH
THROUGHPUT BINDING SCREENS

1185 Avenue of the Americas
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January 24, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please make the following amendments to the
above-identified application:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 42-54, without prejudice to applicants to
pursue the subject matter of these claims in this or a subsequent
application.

By this Preliminary Amendment, applicants have canceled claims
42-54, without prejudice, to reduce the filing fee. Accordingly
claims 1-41 and are pending in the subject application.

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No fee, other than the enclosed \$601.000 application filing fee, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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